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Harris Sand Pits
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Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission

Public Notice

The Executive Director of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) has issued a public notice of the selection of a proposed remedial action for the Harris Sand Pits State Superfund Site which constitutes an imminent and substantial endangerment due to a release of hazardous substances into the environment. The public notice was published in the June 17, 1997, edition of the *San Antonio Express*.

In accordance with 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §335.349(a), concerning requirements for the remedial action and the Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 361.187 Solid Waste Disposal Act, concerning the proposed remedial action, a public meeting regarding the proposed remedial action for the Harris Sand Pits State Superfund site must be held at least 45 days after publishing a notice in the *Texas Register* and a local newspaper of general circulation in the County in which the facility is located.

The public meeting is scheduled for August 5, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in St. Peter Catholic Church of Von Ormy located at 24290 Highway 16 South in Von Ormy, Texas. The public meeting will be legislative in nature and is not a contested case hearing under the Texas Government Code, Chapter 2001.

The site for which a remedy has been selected, the Harris Sand Pits State Superfund Site, was originally proposed for listing on the State Registry of Superfund sites at a public meeting on November 16, 1987 in San Antonio, Texas. The site was listed on the Texas State Superfund Registry of Hazardous Waste Sites on January 22, 1988.

The Harris Sand Pits State Superfund Site is located at 23340 South Highway 16, approximately 10.5 miles south of San Antonio, Texas. The Site occupies approximately 12 acres of an active sand and clay quarry in southern Bexar County, Texas, approximately one-half mile north of the Atascosa County line.

Between 1965 and 1975, refinery wastes described as "sulfuric acid tars," were disposed of in at least two quarry pits. The waste pits were capped with clay in 1977. However, when State officials conducted an inspection in September 1984, erosion from the active quarry adjacent to the Site had exposed the waste. A remedial investigation was conducted to define general site characteristics and determine the nature and extent of contaminants present at the Harris Sand Pits site. A black, clay like waste tar material was encountered between five and ten feet below the ground surface. The tar occurred in layers up to ten feet in thickness near the original location of the disposal pits. The weathered tar is also exposed at the surface due to erosion. Results of the field investigation found that the waste tar is composed of organic compounds typical of refinery waste. It also contains heavy metals, including lead, high sulfate content and has a

pH less than 0.5. The approximate volume of mixed sand and waste tar is estimated to be 34,580 cubic yards.

An unconfined shallow aquifer is present in the upper sand zone. Groundwater samples from a monitoring well located near the original pits contains organic compounds. Organic contaminants have not been detected in wells down gradient, indicating that the contaminants have not migrated. Metals concentrations exceed the EPA maximum contaminant level (MCL) for arsenic and chromium in two wells. Inorganic groundwater analyses detected high levels of total dissolved solids and sulfate in the wells near the waste tar pits.

The TNRCC is proposing the on-site treatment, consolidation and disposal of the contaminated soil and waste tar. Neutralization and/or stabilization will treat all soil and waste tar that exceeds the remediation goals of the site. The disposal area will be covered by a cap designed and constructed to prevent disturbance of the waste and minimize erosion. If the soil and waste tar material cannot be treated so that it meets the TNRCC's requirements for ground water protectiveness under 30 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 335, Subchapter S, §335.559 then the waste will be consolidated, disposed of in an on-site disposal cell and capped. This disposal cell will include an engineered liner system that may include a leachate collection system, if necessary. A disposal cell will decrease the potential for leachate to escape to the groundwater.

Upon completion of the waste disposal, the portion of the site not included in the disposal area will be backfilled and regraded to allow proper drainage. The remedy will also include installation of a fence and warning signs around the perimeter of the cap to restrict access. A deed recordation will be filed describing the containment area and any area that contains contaminants above background levels. Post-closure maintenance of the cap and groundwater monitoring will be conducted to assess the effectiveness of the remediation effort.

Waste treatment, consolidation, and on-site containment of contaminated soil and waste will isolate the source of groundwater contamination. Groundwater monitoring will be conducted to confirm that this action will result in the natural attenuation of groundwater contamination down to the groundwater remediation goals. Periodic reviews of groundwater monitoring data will determine when these remediation goals have been met. Regular monitoring will continue to demonstrate that groundwater contamination is not migrating off-site. Although the groundwater in the shallow aquifer is not currently being used, the groundwater will be deed recorded and restricted to prevent use of the contaminated groundwater.

Persons desiring to submit comments on the proposed remedial action of the facility and the identity of additional potentially responsible parties are encouraged to do so prior to the public meeting. The public comment period will begin June 17, 1997, and ends at the completion of the public meeting on August 5, 1997. The TNRCC requests that written comments be submitted at least 10 days prior to the public meeting to Mr. Michael Garrigan, Superfund Investigation Section, MC 143, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, P.O. Box 12100, Austin, Texas 78753.

The public records/site repository for this site are available for public review during regular business hours at the Cortez Branch Library, 2803 Hunter in San Antonio, Texas, telephone 210-922-7372 and St. Peter Catholic Church Social Hall, 24290 Highway 16 South, Von Ormy, Texas 78073-5802, (210) 276-8778 or the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, 12100 Park 35 Circle Building

D, Austin, Texas 78753, (512) 239-2920. Copying of file information is subject to payment of a fee.

For further information, please call: 1-800-633-9363 (within Texas only) or 512/239-3844.

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Public Utility Commission of Texas

Notice of Intent to File Pursuant to Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 23.27

Notice is given to the public of the intent to file with the Public Utility Commission of Texas an application pursuant to Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 23.27 for a 130 station addition to the existing PLEXAR-custom service for Pharr-San Juan-Alamo ISD in Pharr, Texas.

Tariff Title and Number. Application of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for a 130 Station Addition to the Existing PLEXAR-Custom Service for Pharr-San Juan-Alamo ISD in Pharr, Texas, Pursuant to Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 23.27. Tariff Control Number 17546.

The Application. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company is requesting approval for a 130 station addition to the existing PLEXAR-custom service for Pharr-San Juan-Alamo ISD in Pharr, Texas. The geographic service market for this specific service is the Brownsville local access and transport area.

Persons who wish to comment upon the action sought should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, by mail at P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas, 78711-3326, or call the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Section at (512) 936-7120. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the commission at (512) 936-7136.

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Notice of Intent to File Pursuant to Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 23.27

Notice is given to the public of the intent to file with the Public Utility Commission of Texas an application pursuant to Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 23.27 for a 249 station addition to the existing PLEXAR-custom service for the City of Euless in Euless, Texas.

Tariff Title and Number. Application of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for a 249 Station Addition to the Existing PLEXAR-Custom Service for the City of Euless in Euless, Texas, Pursuant to

Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 23.27. Tariff Control Number 17545.

The Application. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company is requesting approval for a 249 station addition to the existing PLEXAR-custom service for the City of Euless in Euless, Texas. The geographic service market for this specific service is the Dallas local access and transport area.

Persons who wish to comment upon the action sought should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, by mail at P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas, 78711-3326, or call the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Section at (512) 936-7120. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the commission at (512) 936-7136.

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Texas Workforce Commission

Notice of Public Hearing

The Texas Workforce Commission is proposing new Chapter 800, §800.51-800.60, concerning the allocation of workforce training and services funds to local workforce development areas and the repeal of §§809.1-809.88 and new §§809.1-809.155, concerning Child Care and Development. These proposed rules will appear in the June 17 and June 20 issues, respectively, of the *Texas Register*.

Therefore, the Commission will hold public hearings during the 30 day comment period to facilitate the exchange of information with interested parties and receive public comment regarding the proposed rules. Following is a list of dates, times and locations for these hearings for the proposed rules:

Child Care Public Hearings

June 20, 1997 - Fort Worth, Texas

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Radisson Plaza Hotel

815 Main Street

(817) 870-2100

June 23, 1997 - El Paso, Texas

12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m.

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(915) 595-5511

June 24, 1997 - Lockhart, Texas

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Lockhart City Hall

Glosserman Room